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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:

Berthold MAIWALD et al.

Appl. No. 09/838,130

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For: METHOD OF AND APPARATUS
FOR APPLYING ADHESIVE TO
WEBS OF WRAPPING MATERIAL

Art Unit: 1731

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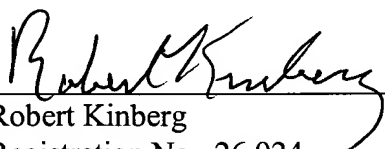
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GROUP 1700

Pursuant to the requirement for restriction in the Office Action mailed on February 13, 2003, Applicants hereby elect, without traverse, Group I, Claims 1-31 drawn to an apparatus for applying adhesive to a running web. Further examination of these claims is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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